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SUBJECT: POLITICAL PRISONERS IN LESOTHO

REF: STATE 24433,

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH MR. BODFREY DOLISANG, LEADING BCP MEMBER RESIDENT IN LESOTHO, EMBOFF ASKED HIM HIS OPINION OF AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL REPORT 1977. (REPORT WAS USED IN DRAFTING LESOTHO HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT AND DISCUSSED THE GOL AMNESTY OF OCTOBER 1976 AND THE TWENTY-SIX REMAINING POLITICAL PRISONERS.) KOLISANG SAID THAT THE AMNESTY WAS ACTUALLY A PAROLING OF NON-POLITICAL RPT NON-POLITICAL PRISONERS. HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT THERE ARE FIFTEEN POLITICAL PRISONERS IN PRISON; THESE ARE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF CRIMES THAT WERE POLITICALLY MOTIVATED.

2. COMMENT: KOLISANG'S STATEMENT REGARDING THE AMNESTY AGREES WITH THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS' STATEMENT TO CHARGE THAT THE AMNESTY WAS FOR CRIMINALS, NOT POLITICAL PRISONERS.
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